



## *Captain John D. Alexander* *Executive Officer*

USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69)

Captain Alexander is a native of Port Neches, Texas. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was commissioned through the Aviation Officer Candidate program in December 1982 and designated a Naval Flight Officer in November 1983.

Captain Alexander reported to VA-128 in Whidbey Island, WA., for initial Bombardier/Navigator training in the A-6E Intruder. He then served with the “Boomers” of VA-165, completing deployments to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans in USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63).

In 1988, he reported to the “Silver Foxes” of VA-155 where he participated in the USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) homeport change around South America to the west coast. In 1989, he returned to VA-128 as an FRS instructor and Navigation Phase Head. He followed this tour in 1990 as Aide/Flag Lieutenant for Commander, Medium Attack Tactical Electronic Warfare Wing, U. S. Pacific Fleet.

In 1991, Captain Alexander reported to Cruiser-Destroyer Group THREE (CCDG 3) as Strike Operations Officer, completing an Arabian Gulf deployment aboard USS NIMITZ (CVN 68).

Following this tour, he reported to the “Main Battery” of VA-196 as Maintenance Officer and completed a deployment aboard USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70) in support of Operation SOUTHERN WATCH.

In 1996, Captain Alexander reported to the Royal Naval College in Greenwich, England for a 10-month curriculum in strategic studies. During this tour he earned a Master of Arts in Defense Studies from King’s College, University of London.

Following transition training with VAQ-129 in the EA-6B Prowler, Captain Alexander reported to the “Ravens” of VAQ-135 as Executive Officer and assumed command in July 1999. He completed a deployment aboard USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70) supporting Operations SOUTHERN WATCH and DESERT FOX as well as a deployment to Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, supporting Operation NORTHERN WATCH.

After his command tour, Captain Alexander reported in 2000 to the Navy Personnel Command assuming duties as Head, Aviation Commander Assignments Detailer. During this tour, he was selected for the Navy’s Nuclear Power program and reported to USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69) as Executive Officer in February 2004.

Captain Alexander has accumulated more than 3000 flight hours with 675 carrier-arrested landings. He was named the COMNAVAIRPAC Naval Flight Officer of the year in 1994. Personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Air Medal (three strike/flight awards), Navy Commendation Medal (two awards) and Navy Achievement Medal (three awards) as well as various unit awards.